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Mr. J. I. Palmer, Jr., Regional Administrator  
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Dear Mr. Palmer:

As a requirement for continued participation in South Carolina's 8-Hour Ozone Early Action Compact, enclosed you will find the June 2003 milestone reports. These two reports, the June 16 List of Emission Reduction Strategies Under Consideration and the June 2003 Progress Report have been completed by participating counties and the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC). Enclosure 1 includes the reports and associated attachments for DHEC. Enclosure 2 includes the June 2003 milestone reports for each participating county, grouped by the following areas:

Appalachian: Anderson, Cherokee, Greenville, Oconee, Pickens, Spartanburg  
Catawba: Chester, Lancaster, Union, York  
Pee Dee: Chesterfield, Darlington, Dillon, Florence, Marion, Marlboro  
Waccamaw: Georgetown, Horry, Williamsburg  
Santee Lynches: Clarendon, Kershaw, Lee, Sumter  
Berkeley-Charleston-Dorchester: Berkeley, Charleston, Dorchester  
Low Country: Beaufort, Colleton, Hampton, Jasper  
Lower Savannah: Aiken, Allendale, Bamberg, Barnwell, Calhoun, Orangeburg  
Central Midlands: Fairfield, Lexington, Newberry, Richland  
Upper Savannah: Abbeville, Edgefield, Greenwood, Laurens, Saluda

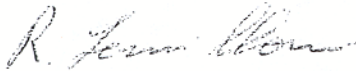
At the request of EPA, once we have electronic copies of the progress report and the list of strategies, these two reports will be forwarded to your office via electronic mail.

Although we have identified the local county government to be a responsible party for participation in the EAC, the counties participating may or may not be part of future boundary determinations and discussions. Specifically, EPA should not consider the counties participating in the EAC as the presumptive boundaries for any future non-attainment designations.

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Thank you for the assistance and support EPA has provided in this process. We look forward to continuing to work with EPA as we implement measures to achieve cleaner air sooner for South Carolina and our neighboring states. Should you have questions or desire additional information, please do not hesitate to contact Jim Joy, Chief of DHEC's Bureau of Air Quality at (803) 898-4123 or Henry Phillips of his staff at (803) 898-3260.

Sincerely,



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Deputy Commissioner  
Environmental Quality Control

Enclosures: 1. South Carolina DHEC June 2003 Milestone Reports  
2. June 2003 Milestone Reports for Participating Local Areas

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